

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**CORRECTED
FISCAL NOTE**

HB 372 - SB 558

February 21, 2017

SUMMARY OF BILL: Enacts the *Tom Cronan Physical Education Act*, which requires each student in elementary school to participate in a physical education class (P.E.) at least twice a week. Each P.E. class shall be taught by a licensed teacher that has a P.E. endorsement or by a P.E. specialist. Prohibits students from being exempted from a P.E. class unless they have a written note from a physician. Requires each local education agency (LEA) to annually verify that it has met the requirements of this act. The effective date of the bill is July 1, 2018.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

On February 18, 2017, a fiscal note was issued for this bill with the following estimated fiscal impact:

*Increase Local Expenditures - \$253,600**

The effective date for the bill is July 1, 2018; therefore, the fiscal impact and assumptions were determined to be in error and has been corrected to account for the effective date as proposed. The corrected fiscal impact is as follows:

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Increase Local Expenditures - \$253,600/FY18-19 and Subsequent Years*

Corrected Assumptions:

- No change in the Basic Education Program (BEP) funding formula.
- Most LEAs are already meeting the bill's requirements or will be able to restructure their class schedules or make other changes to accommodate the requirements of this bill without an increase in local expenditures.
- All expenditures will be borne by local governments beginning in FY18-19.
- Based on information from the Department of Education (DOE), local education agencies in Dyer, Hardeman, and Carter counties do not currently have qualified P.E. teachers on staff.
- Based on information from DOE, the average salary and benefits of a full-time P.E. teacher is \$48,265 and the average salary and benefits for a part-time P.E. teacher is \$30,273.

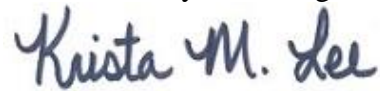
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- Dyer County will require four additional full-time P.E. teachers while Hardeman and Carter counties will each need one part-time P.E. teacher at a salary and benefit level of \$30,273.
- The mandatory recurring increase in local expenditures beginning in FY18-19 is estimated to be \$253,606 [(\$48,265 x 4) + (\$30,273 x 2)].

*Article II, Section 24 of the Tennessee Constitution provides that: *no law of general application shall impose increased expenditure requirements on cities or counties unless the General Assembly shall provide that the state share in the cost.*

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



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